

**The Naval Safety Center in
conjunction with the
Occupational Safety and
Health Administration
(OSHA) are participating in
the “National Safety Stand-
Down to Prevent Fall in
Construction”***

***A's campaign is focused on the Construction Industry.
Navy/Marine Corps
participating and providing Fall Protection Awareness in all
of the Naval Enterprise.***

FALL PROTECTION
in the United States
Marine Corps

The Complete US Marine Corps Fall Protection
Program Can be found in:

NAVMC DIRECTIVE 5100.8
MARINE CORPS OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND
HEALTH (OSH)
PROGRAM MANUAL (SHORT TITLE: MARCOR
OSH PROGRAM MANUAL)

<http://www.marines.mil/Portals/59/Publications/NAVMC%20DIR%205100.8.pdf>

Chapter 18

1. This chapter establishes a fall protection program that implements requirements of 29 CFR 1910, General Industry; and 29 CFR 1926, Construction.
2. Provisions of this chapter apply to all Marine Corps installations and units. Contractors working aboard Marine Corps installations or units will abide by provisions of 29 CFR 1910 and EM-385-1-1, Corps of Engineers Safety Manual. Military unique situations (e.g., obstacle course training, rappelling) shall be governed by the appropriate military standard or SOP as approved by the commander; requirements of references 29 CFR 1910 and 29 CFR 1926 above apply, if feasible.
3. All situations that expose Marine Corps personnel aboard any installation or unit to fall hazards of 6 feet (1.8 m) or greater shall be assessed by a competent person with fall protection training to implement proper controls.
4. Requirements related to fall protection for personnel working on stairways and ladders are contained in 29 CFR 1926.

2. Installation safety managers (ISM) shall:

- a. Provide fall protection training material and instruction for supervisors and personnel as required.
- b. Provide recommendations for appropriate fall protection.
- c. Stop any work operations that are not in compliance with this Manual.
- d. Review all written fall protection SOPs before they are published.

5. Supervisors shall:

- d. Provide personnel with appropriate fall protection equipment.
- e. Require personnel to use fall protection equipment

TRAINING

1. Fall protection training shall be provided to all personnel who may be exposed to fall hazards. Training shall enable each person to recognize hazards of falling, as well as understand procedures used to minimize these hazards.

a. Training shall be conducted by a competent person designated by the ISM and shall include:

(1) Nature of fall hazards in work area(s).

(2) Correct procedures for erecting, inspecting, and disassembling fall protection systems to be used.

(3) Use and operation of guardrail systems, personal fall arrest systems, safety net systems, warning line systems, safety monitoring systems, controlled access zones, and any other protection used.